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INTERNET FACILITY
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to introduce any scheme under which people who do not have computer and even telephone facility can also use internet;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which this scheme is likely to be introduced?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) to (c): As per Internet Service Provider (ISP) policy, access to internet through authorized cable operator is permitted without additional licensing subject to applicable cable laws. People can use their television to access internet through cable using set top box. In such a case computer or telephone is not required. Also internet can be accessed from the cyber cafes/cyber Dhabas set up by Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) or ISPs.